

# GROWING CONNECTICUT JOBS

Since the global recession began in 2008, 100,000 Connecticut workers have lost their jobs. My highest legislative priority is to foster conditions for job growth and to protect good jobs in our state, and I have worked with my Senate Democratic colleagues to craft a plan to get Connecticut working again.

**MORE ABOUT OUR JOBS PLAN AVAILABLE ONLINE:**  
[www.senatedems.ct.gov/GrowJobs.html](http://www.senatedems.ct.gov/GrowJobs.html)



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The graphic features the words "GROWING CONNECTICUT JOBS" in a large, bold, sans-serif font. The word "GROWING" is on the top line, "CONNECTICUT" is on the bottom line, and "JOBS" is to the right of "CONNECTICUT". Between "GROWING" and "CONNECTICUT", there are two horizontal gray bars. The top bar has silhouettes of five people walking. The bottom bar has silhouettes of two people walking. To the right of "CONNECTICUT" and before "JOBS", there is a large circle containing a silhouette of the state of Connecticut.

Small businesses account for 97 percent of all Connecticut employers; we need to make it easier for them to grow.

## The Senate Democrats' Jobs Plan Would

- Reduce taxes for at least 46,000 small 'mom & pop' businesses, including as many as 756 such businesses in Hamden
- Create a business loan fund and help businesses get the credit they need
- Reduce bureaucratic red tape for businesses by consolidating the state's economic development agencies

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## How We're Paying for It

Senate Bill 1 includes a temporary surcharge on million-dollar bonuses given by banks that received TARP federal bailout funds – with all the revenue going to help small businesses.

### ACCORDING TO THE HARTFORD COURANT:

*"...passing legislation to retain and create jobs is the most important item on the General Assembly's agenda this session... Senate Bill 1 could be a showcase for bipartisan cooperation..."*